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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of : Customer Number: 20277

Jiang SHEN : Confirmation Number: 4453

Application No.: 09/912,452 : Group Art Unit: 2634

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For: IMPLEMENTATION OF DIGITAL FILTER WITH REDUCED HARDWARE

WRITTEN REPLY TO INTERVIEW SUMMARY

Mail Stop Issue Fee Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

The November 28, 2005 Supplemental Notice of Allowability included an Interview Summary form, which set a one-month period for a written reply containing a statement of the substance of a telephone interview. The required statement follows.

First, Applicant wishes to express appreciation for the courtesy that Examiner Cicely Ware extended by conducting the telephone discussions regarding this application on November 14, 2005 and November 16, 2005. Only claim 11 was discussed, there was no discussion of art, and only issues of the clarity of the claim language and support of the language of claim 11 were considered.

In the initial call, the Examiner indicated that the 312 amendment would <u>not</u> be entered to undo the earlier Examiner's amendment, as she maintained that an express definition of the variable n was needed in the body of the claim in order to make claim 11 definite. Although a number of other possible phrases were discussed, it was ultimately agreed that the "n is an integer" phrase was

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best and would be kept in the claim. It was also agreed that such an understanding of the meaning of the variable n would have been apparent to one of skill in the art from a reading of the original

written description.

A minor typographical error was noted in the 'converting' paragraph of claim 11, and the Examiner kindly agreed to fix the problem by further Examiner's amendment to add "of" (so that the phrase reads "converting each of the numerical ...").

To the extent necessary, if any, a petition for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 is hereby made. Please charge any shortage in fees due in connection with the filing of this paper, including extension of time fees, to Deposit Account 500417 and please credit any excess fees to such deposit account.

Respectfully submitted,

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